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35A-3-307 Cash assistance to a single minor parent.

- (1) The department may provide cash assistance to a single minor parent in accordance with this section.
- (2) A single minor parent who receives cash assistance under this part shall:
 - (a) except as provided under Subsection (3), reside in a place of residence maintained by a parent, legal guardian, or other adult relative of the single minor parent;
 - (b) participate in education for parenting and life skills;
 - (c) participate in infant and child wellness programs approved by the department; and
 - (d) for at least 20 hours per week:
 - (i) if the single minor parent does not have a high school diploma, attend high school or an alternative to high school;
 - (ii) participate in education or training; or
 - (iii) participate in a combination of employment and education or training.
- (3)
 - (a) If the department determines that the requirements of Subsection (2)(a) are not appropriate for a single minor parent, the department may assist the single minor parent to obtain suitable living arrangements, including an adult-supervised living arrangement.
 - (b) The department may only provide cash assistance to a single minor parent who is exempt from the requirements of Subsection (2)(a) if the single minor parent resides in a living arrangement that is approved by the department.
 - (c) The approval by the department of a living arrangement under Subsection (3)(b):
 - (i) is a means of safeguarding the use of state and federal funds; and
 - (ii) is not a certification or guarantee of the safety, quality, or condition of the living arrangements of the single minor parent.
- (4)
 - (a) If a single minor parent resides with a parent, the department shall include the income of the parent of the single minor parent in determining the single minor parent's eligibility for services under this part.
 - (b) If a single minor parent receives services under this chapter but does not reside with a parent, the department shall seek an order under Title 78B, Chapter 12, Utah Child Support Act, requiring the parent of the single minor parent to financially support the single minor parent.
- (5) The requirements of this section shall be included in a single minor parent's employment plan under Section 35A-3-304.

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